

Name of the instrument in English	Vocational Training Grants
Country	 Germany
Type of instrument	Grants for individuals

Level of operation	National
Part of the country where the instrument applies	nap
Region(s) in which the instrument applies	nap
Sector(s) in which the instrument applies	nap
Legal basis	§56 SGB III
Objective(s) and target(s)	To support apprentices who do not live with their parents and whose apprenticeship pay is not high enough to cover the living costs.
Year of introduction	1969
Year of termination	No foreseen end to the instrument (on-going)
Governance (management, operation, monitoring and evaluation)	The Federal Employment Agency is responsible for the overall management, monitoring and evaluation of the instrument as well as day-to-day operation.
Eligible group(s)	Apprentices who do not live with their parents due to the long distance from home to the employer's location (travel to the employer's location and back home would take more than two hours a day) and whose apprenticeship pay is not high enough to cover the costs resulting from this situation.
Education and training eligible	The instrument funds only apprenticeship (training within the dual system).
Source of financing and collection mechanism	State
Financing formula and allocation mechanisms	It is difficult to ascertain the maximum amount of funding that an apprentice may receive per year as the level of the grant depends on many factors. The amount is estimated at EUR 700 (but it could be higher in some cases).

	The funds are disbursed to all eligible applicants on the basis of legal entitlement. The grant is transferred to the learner's account.
Eligible costs	Living costs
Volumes of funding	In 2015, the public funding amounted to EUR 310,000,000. No EU funds involved.
Beneficiaries/take up	In 2016 and 2015, some 95,817 and 95,774 apprentices benefited respectively.
Monitoring/evaluation reports available	na
Monitoring/evaluation results	na
Recent or planned changes	The volume of funding was increased.
Sources	Berufsausbildungsbeihilfe, Ausbildungsgeld, Äœbergangsgeld (Monats- und Jahreszahlen)

Related apprenticeship schemes



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